SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 132

By Crutchfield

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Mary Louise Crutchfield of Chattanooga.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the death of Mary Louise Crutchfield; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Crutchfield was an exemplary public servant and consummate artist who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for her fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, born in Atlanta, Mrs. Crutchfield was a resident of Chattanooga from the age of five; she attended Girls Preparatory School and Chattanooga High School before attending the University of Chattanooga, where she was actively involved in the Chi Omega Sorority; and

WHEREAS, Mary Crutchfield stood with acumen and alacrity as a well-known Chattanooga artist and, as the owner and operator of Art Accent, Inc., devoted herself to providing the wonders of the artistic realm to the members of her community; and

WHEREAS, Mary Crutchfield further served her community as a member of the Junior League of Chattanooga and a volunteer at both the Hunter Museum of American Art and the Chattanooga Community Kitchen; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Crutchfield was an active and devout member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, which she served faithfully for many years; and

WHEREAS, Mary Crutchfield was also deeply devoted to her family, and she always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Crutchfield enjoyed the loving companionship, before his death, of her husband, Tom Crutchfield, and was the proud mother of Tom Crutchfield and Louise Burgess and the doting grandmother of Will and Sally Burgess; and

WHEREAS, Mary Crutchfield leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Mary Louise Crutchfield, reflecting fondly upon her impeccable character and her stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mrs. Crutchfield.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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